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Meeting Minutes 11/05/2006

Arlington~Cultural Council-Deliberation Meeting

November 5, 2006

Community Safety Building

Arlington, MA

Present:~ Betsy Campbell, Roz Cummins, Sharon Shaloo, Tom Formicola, Elinor Kagan, Jean Yoder,~Michele Meagher and Karen Dillon

Absent:~

Tom Formicola ~called the meeting to order at 10:25 a.m. ~

Focus of this meeting was to determine our interest level in the grants and try to allocate funding to them.~ The actual voting and finalized selection of the grants will take place on Monday, December 11th, 2006

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Elinore reported on our level of funding:

The 2007 funding by the MCC ~~~ 11,030.00

less 5% admin~~~~ ~~~ ~~~ ~~~ ~~~ =~~~~ ~~~ 10,478.50

returned funds

RWANDA Project ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ 500.00 ~ ~ ~ ~ ~

Art Hunt ~~~~~ 46.75

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Total of \$ 11,025.25 TO ALLOCATE

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The council talked about the importance of having a community input meeting so we know the interests of Arlington citizens and feel we understand what areas of the arts and culture~they feel are missing in our town and what they would support.

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Sharon Shaloo will coordinate a community meeting for us as long as it can take place after April 5th.~ The council is fine with waiting till then.

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Jean Yoder distributed~ a copy of the~denial letter-which lists the reason why a project is rejected.~ Tom suggested we add the total number of applicants and total amount of dollars requested this year to the letter.

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Tom moved we~ not consider 5 grant applications 25-30~because they were incomplete. Betsy seconded and all approved denying funding to grants 25-30.

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Michele suggested that we add a line to the denial letter recommending that applicants attend the coaching sessions so we don't have so many incomplete applications in the future.~ Jean suggested we add it to our publicity instead.

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The group noted that we~need to revise out guidelines to include our advice to have the venue secured before an~application is submitted and a letter of authorization form the venue.

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Michele suggested that we invite the Arlington Education Enrichment Foundation ~to one of our meetings so we can get a sense of what their charter is and what types of projects they want to support.

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We should offer a workshop next fall that explains what makes a grant effective and an appropriate fit for the ACC.

In this most recently completed grant cycle, 30 applications were received from schools, individual artists, and cultural groups. Requests for funds totaled \$29, 771. Proposals were received from residents of Arlington as well as other towns and cities in Massachusetts. Following deliberations, the Council awarded 19 applicants a total of \$11,577 allocated by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.~ note that Karen Dillon and Roz Cummins left the room during the voting and deliberation of their grant applications as permissible by the Selectman's office and the MCC.

Awards for the fiscal year 2007 grant cycle include:

2007-01~~~Arlington Center for the Arts-A day in the Life~ \$ 2,000.00

2007-02 DENIED

2007-03~ Brackett School-Poetry Month-\$ 300.00

2007-04 Cambridge Madrigal Singers-McDowell Tribute~Arlington \$ 300.00

2007-05 DENIED

2007-06~ Roz Cummins-Oral History of Libana~\$ 400.00

2007-07 DENIED

2007-08 DENIED

2007-09 Karen Dillon Bicentennial Art -\$ 850.00

2007-10 Hardy School-Inclusion~ \$ 500.00

2007-11Arlington townwide PTO-Writing workshops \$ 1,400.00

2007-12 Ruth Harcovitz -Concerts for Senior Citizens~ \$500

2007-13 Jennifer Ingram-Faces and Places \$ 500.00

2007-14~ Jazz Composers Alliance-Conduction Workshop \$ 1,000

2007-15 National Heritage museum \$ 275

2007-16 DENIED

2007-17 DENIED

2007-18 Schwamb Mill-Spring play \$ 385

2007-19 Solar Winds~ \$ 600.00

2007-20 Tova Speter-Youth Switchbox \$ 400.00

2007-21~ Three Apples \$ 225.00

2007-22 Kate True-Little Women \$ 425.00

2007-23~ True Story Theatre-Stories of healing \$ 500.00

2007-24 DENIED

2007-25 DENIED

2007-26DENIED

2007-27 DENIED

2007-28 DENIED

2007-29 DENIED

2007-30 DENIED

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The meeting was adjourned at~2:00 ~p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted by Karen A. Dillon